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For: NETWORK BILLBOARD SYSTEM AND METHOD THEREOF

ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENTMail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the May 4, 2004 Restriction Requirement, the period for response having been extended one month to July 4, 2004 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, Applicant elects Group III, Claims 42-44, drawn to a programming method for dynamic schedule application. The election is made with traverse.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all Claims 1-53 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one group of claims will encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits" (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply to the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Application No. 09/737,017  
Election in Response to Restriction Requirement Dated July 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Communication of May 4, 2004

It is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below to further expedite prosecution of the Application.

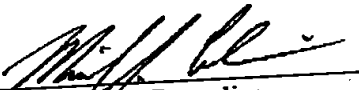
Respectfully submitted,

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